

At the Right to Information Commission of Sri Lanka

U.G. KALANSURIYA .VS. NATIONAL POLICE COMMISSION

RTIC Appeal (in person) 27/2018 (order adopted as part of a formal meeting of the Commission on 17.09.2018. Order under Section 32 (1) of the Right to Information Act, No. 12 of 2016 and Recorded of Proceedings under Rule 28 of the Right to Information Rules of 2017.

Chairperson: Mr. Mahinda Gammampila

Commission Members: Mr S.G. Punchihewa

Dr, Selvy Thiruchandran

Justice Rohini Walgama

Present: Director-General Mr. Piyatissa Ranasinghe

Appellant: U.G. Kalansuriya

Notice issued to: Secretary, National Police Commission

Appearance/ Represented :

Appellant: U.G.Kalansuriya - present

Public Authority: A.U.S. Munaweera, Assistant Secretary, (NPC)

RTI Request was filed on: 03.08.2017

IO responded: 14.09.2017

First Appeal DO: 01.10.2017

DO responded on: No response

Appeal to RTIC filed on: 07.11.2017

Facts in appeal albite brief are as follows:

The Appellant who was a Reserved Police officer was demobilized by the Police reservist Commandant on the basis that there was an allegation of Bribery against the Appellant. But it is stated by the Appellant that he was acquitted by the High Court of the above charge. Subsequently the Appellant has appealed to the Police Commission for the reinstatement, which appeal was rejected by the Commission. But it is contended by the Appellant that the Inspector General of Police had approved his reinstatement and had sent to the Police Commission for its approval.

In the said backdrop the Appellant has requested the following documents from the Police Commission, in contemplation of future action.

1. Demobilization letter
2. Recommendation letter by the IGP
3. Final decision of the NPC (complete order which was signed by the Commission).

Appellant being aggrieved by the response of the IO had appealed to the DO, but had not received any response. Thus the Appellant appealed to this Commission for the release of the above information.

When this appeal was heard on the instant date it was stated by the PA that the request No.2 and 3 has been already released. And undertook to provide the

information No. 1 in consultation with the Police Department. Hence the further hearing was adjourned for 12.11.2018.

Order is directed to be conveyed to both parties in terms of Rule 27(3) of the Commission's Rules on fees and Appeal Procedures( Gazette No.2004/66, 03.02.2017)

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